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## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Akihiro FUNAKOSHI et al.

Title: A PREVENTIVE OR THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR PANCREATITIS  
COMPRISING IL-6 ANTAGONIST AS AN ACTIVE INGREDIENT

Appl. No.: 09/762,550

Filing Date: 2/9/2001

Examiner: Lorraine Spector

Art Unit: 1647

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

Enclosed are:

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[ X ] Amendment/Reply.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	13	- 39	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents	3	- 9	= 0	x \$88.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$300.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$790.00

[ X ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
[ X ] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$430.00		\$430.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$980.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,530.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,080.00		\$0.00
	<b>EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:</b>		\$430.00
	<b>EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:</b>		\$0.00
	<b>EXTENSION FEE TOTAL</b>		\$430.00
	<b>CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:</b>		\$1220.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
	<b>TOTAL FEE:</b>		<b>\$1220.00</b>

[ X ] Check No. 39076 in the amount of \$1,220.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date Oct. 21, 2004

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